



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Robert E. Gleason, Treasurer
International Longshoremen's Association
AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education
ILA-COPE
17 Battery Place
New York, NY 10004

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Identification Number: C00158576

Reference: Year End Report (11/26/96-12/31/96)

Dear Mr. Gleason:

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This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) precludes a multicandidate committee from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$5,000 and/or notify the recipient in writing of your redesignation of the contribution. In the best interest of your committee, all refunds and redesignations should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s).

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the candidate(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on

Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.2(b)

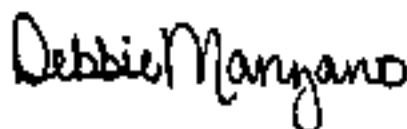
Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-The totals listed on Lines 11(a)(ii), 11(a)(iii), 11(d), 19, and 20, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Please provide the total(s) for Line 16, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page. Note that changes in your figures may affect your Column B totals on this report and/or on subsequent reports.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,



Debbie Manzano
Senior Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES

Contrib. to Elect Ken Benton
5615 Morningside
Houston, TX 77005

Ken Benton
25th Cong. Dist.
Federal - Special - 1996

12/02/96
Chk. # 2042

\$2,500

Lumpsum for Congress Committee
P.O. Box 21578
Beaumont, TX 77720

Nick Lampson
U.S. Congress - 9th Dist.
Texas
Federal - Special - 1996

12/06/96
Chk. # 2044

\$5,000

Friends of Al D'Amato
P.O. Box 888
Middletown, NY 11501

Senator Alfonse D'Amato
U.S. Senate
Federal - General 1998

12/11/96
Chk. # 2046

\$3,000

Citizens for Joe Kennedy
233 Deddham Street
Newton, MA 02164

Joseph Kennedy
Congressman
Federal - Primary

12/30/96
Chk. # 2052

\$5,600

NON-FEDERAL EXPENDITURES

The Committee to Elect
Diane Modica
P.O. Box 285353
Boston, MA 02128-5353

Diane J. Modica
City Council
Other - Debt

11/27/96
Chk. # 2038

\$200

Election Fund of Paul DiGastano
P.O. Box 9216
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

Paul DiGastano
Assembly Majority Leader
General - 1997

12/02/96
Chk. # 2039

\$1,500

The Committee to Elect Stephen
F. Lynch
55 G Street
So. Boston, MA 02127

Stephen F. Lynch
State Senate
State - General - 1996

12/02/96
Chk. # 2040

\$500

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McManus Democratic Assoc.
345 W. 44th Street
New York, NY 10036

McManus Democratic Assoc.

11/20/96
Chk. # 2035

\$1,500

Comm. to Elect Ken Bentsen
5615 Morningside
Houston, TX 77005

Ken Bentsen
Congressional
Federal - Special - 1996

11/21/96
Chk. # 2036

\$5,000

Committee to Elect Ken Bentsen
5615 Morningside
Houston, TX 77005

Ken Bentsen
Congressional
Federal - Special - 1996

11/21/96
Chk. # 2037

\$5,000

TOTAL

\$277,100

